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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Monday, 25 February 1957

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Gen. Cabell, Mr. Wisner, Mr. Amory,  
Col. White, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, [redacted]  
[redacted], Sheldon, [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

a) Asked DD/I for detailed comment on a letter he (DCI) had received from Arthur Bunker dated 21 February 1957. The Director said he had acknowledged Mr. Bunker's letter and advised him we would be in touch with more information "shortly".

b) Noted that [redacted] of ONE had written an article for World Affairs and saw no objection to its being published. DD/I concurred. The Director commented it was his understanding that [redacted] would not be identified with CIA. He said, however, he had been considering for some time whether selected employees who wish to contribute articles to magazines should not in fact indicate their CIA connection and asked Mr. Kirkpatrick for recommendation.

c) Noted he had been giving serious consideration to bringing together a small group of industrialists and economists whose views diverge on the Soviet industrial situation, for the purpose of discussing Russian strengths and weaknesses in the industrial field. The Director said he would particularly like to do this while Amb. Bohlen is in Washington and noted he would probably be here for another two weeks. After some discussion it was agreed to hold this conference and Messrs. Amory and [redacted] undertook to prepare a list of people for the Director's approval who might be invited to attend. It was also agreed that the group should be equally divided as to their views. The Director commented he would like to issue written invitations to this meeting and approved Mr. Kirkpatrick's recommendation that where possible they be delivered through [redacted], noting that the invitations should not remain in the files of the people invited. The Director also said he intended to mention this idea to the Killian Committee and asked Mr. Kirkpatrick to remind him to do so.

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f) Asked DD/P and DD/I to furnish him an analysis of the alleged Rockefeller letter recently published in the East German press.

g) Briefly reported on the discussions at the OCB luncheons for 6 and 20 February.

Mr. Amory:

Recommended that a close look be taken at the Western border of Czechoslovakia since this area provided excellent launching sites for guided missiles. The Director agreed and asked that the information obtained be cranked into a certain briefing that is being prepared.

  
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